

## STARK COUNTY BARJOURNAL

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### **LAW DAY \* 2025**

"The Constitution's Promise:

Out of Many, One"

**APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup> - MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> 2025** 

Wednesday, April 30th - 11:45 a.m.

## **Law Day Luncheon:**

Our program at the Law Day Luncheon will feature the winners of the Moot Court Competition.

The case being argued is *Plyler v. Doe*, 457 US 202 (1982).



Fifth District Court of Appeals Judges and staff will present an afternoon 3.0 Hour seminar. CLE also approved for 3.0 hour Appellate Law Certification Credit.

### For Registration See Pages 10 & 11

#### MOOT COURT COMPETITION

5th District Court of Appeals April 28, 2025 *Plyler vs. Doe* 

#### **OHIO JUSTICE BUS**

Stark County Family Court April 28, 2025

#### **TELEVISED ASK-A-LAWYER**

Massillon Municipal Court April 23, 2025

#### **TOUR DE COURTS**

Downtown Canton Courts May 1, 2025

### HONORING

SENATOR KIRK SCHURING

Law Day Luncheon

#### **COURT OF APPEALS SESSIONS**

Jackson High School April 29, 2025



### **SCBA'S 125TH CELEBRATION**

Stark County Courthouse • Open House First Friday, May 2, 2025 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm

## **SCBA April 2025 Office Schedule**

April 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:00 NOON Community Involvement Committee Meeting

April 7<sup>th</sup> 12:00 NOON Technology Committee Meeting

April 9th 12:00 NOON Annual Members' Meeting

April 10<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon Legal Aid/Pro Bono

Committee Meeting

April 14<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM Disputed Fee Committee Meeting

April 15<sup>th</sup> 3:45 PM Grievance Committee Meeting

April 16<sup>th</sup> 12:00 NOON Law Day Committee Meeting

April 16<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting

April 23<sup>rd</sup> 12:00 NOON Administrative Professionals Day

Luncheon - Bender's

April 28th 3:30 PM SCBA "125th" Planning Meeting

April 28<sup>th</sup> - May 2<sup>nd</sup> LAW WEEK

#### **Family Law Committee Meeting**

There will be no Family Law Committee Meeting this month due to the seminar on April 2, 2025.

## NOTARY EDUCATION CLASS & TESTING

Classes and Testing offered every 2nd & 4th Tuesday Stark County Bar Association Office

\*By Appointment Only\*

1 Hour Renewal Education Class • 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

3 Hour New Notary Public Education Class 12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM

TESTING 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Online classes and testing

available at our website: www.StarkCtyBar.com

### **2025 CLE Seminars**

April 2, 2025 2025 Family Law Seminar

SCBA Conference Room

See Pg. 7

April 4, 2025 29th Annual White-Williams

Bankruptcy Institute Hartville Kitchen See Pgs. 8 & 9

April 30, 2025 2025 Law Day Seminar

"The Constitution's Promise:

Out of Many, One"

Kent State Professional Conference Ctr.

See Pg. 10



Reminder: A - L!

**Complete your CLE by Dec. 31, 2025** 

#### **Annual Member's Meeting**

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### - Save The Date -

#### SCBA's 125th Anniversary Celebration

First Friday, May 2, 2025 Stark County Courthouse

Open House

4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 12, 2025 Exhibit at Cyrus Custom Framing Saturday, September 13, 2025 "Lawyers Do More Than Practice Law

"Lawyers Do More Than Practice Law" Featuring art/photography/mixed

media/reception included

Fall of 2025 12 Angry Women Play with Reception

12 Angry Women Play

### THE BAR JOURNAL

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#### From Our President

With Law Week coming up at the end of the month, I wanted to know more about how did it come about. I have participated in the past in the Law Day Luncheon and CLE but I was not aware how it came to be. In 1959, President Eisenhower declared May 1 as Law Day. It was later codified as law on April 27, 1961.

"This holiday is officially recognized and it's meant to remind people of the role of law in the foundation of the country and how important it is for the society".

The Stark County Bar Association celebrates Law Week rather than Law Day. We are very fortunate to have a seasoned, well-run committee, under the leadership of Todd Evans. Todd has served as chair for 19 years. We cannot thank him enough for serving in this role all these years. We also thank those on his committee who assist him in putting all these events together as they put a lot of time, thought, and effort into Law Week activities. A schedule of all the events which will take place, beginning April 28th through the Law Day Luncheon on April 30th is listed on the cover. As is customary, immediately following the luncheon, the CLE will be held and this year we are fortunate to have judges from the Fifth District Court of Appeals presenting on appellate practice and we are also fortunate have several of their staff also presenting. Please refer to Page 10 & 11 in this edition to register for the Luncheon and CLE.

As part of the Law Day Luncheon, numerous opportunities are available for the youth in our community, grade school through high school. This is in the form of Poster and Essay contests. This year's theme, as established by the American Bar Association is:

## THE CONSTITUTION'S PROMISE: OUT OF MANY, ONE

"The Constitution enshrines our collective responsibility to one another, and the 2025 Law Day theme urges us to take pride in a Constitution



**Angela T. Vagotis** *President, Stark County Bar Association* 

that bridges our differences to bring us together as a united nation. Our civic lives tie us together as one "We," whether through legislative efforts that serve the common good, through military service, or by working together, every day, to fulfill the promise of E pluribus unum, or "Out of many, one."

We are looking forward to how the theme is interpreted by those who will be participating in the contests and the winners will be present at the Law Day Luncheon.

Our program at the luncheon will be the winners of the Moot Court Competition.

Please let Tina know if you would like to assist in any of the events. Volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated.

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#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dennis Barr for his judicial appointment to the Canton Municipal Court.

Congratulations to Stacey Zipay on your appointment as the Stark County Public Defender.

We wish them both much success in their new positions.

### COMMITTEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UPDATE

Judiciary Committee Thank you to the Judiciary Committee, led by Kevin L'Hommedieu, for conducting the Judicial Performance Poll and the Judicial Candidate Interviews in February. Kevin and the committee take their work very seriously as the ratings are important to many candidates. The ratings are published in this edition.

#### Municipal Court Committee, Bankruptcy Committee and Family Law Committee

All three committees are sponsoring CLE's this month. Please refer to the sign-up sheets in this edition. Remember you can always reference the CLE calendar on <a href="https://www.starkctybar.com">www.starkctybar.com</a>.

Social Committee Administrative Professionals Day is April 23rd. The Social Committee is continuing to sponsor a luncheon at Bender's Restaurant. It is a great opportunity to show your appreciation to the Administrative Professionals in your practice. The luncheon is already planned for you. All you have to do is make your reservation. Please refer to the flyer in this edition of the Bar Journal.

Community Involvement Committee How about the cover of the March Bar Journal. Tina and Chris got quite creative to get your attention to support the Annual School Fundraiser. The Community Involvement Committee is another very active group. They are consistently looking for ways to help our community and it is a positive reflection on our Bar Association.

#### **COMMITTEE PREFERENCE SHEET 2025-26**

I have spent a lot of time highlighting our committees in my newsletter during my term. Without our committees, we truly would not be a

functioning organization. As I have said previously, we have committees that serve the functions of our members directly, such as Fee Dispute, Grievance, Judiciary, Memorial, Professional Continuity, Senior Lawyers, Social and Young Lawyers. This is in addition to all the practice areas that offer CLE's and networking opportunities with your peers. We have those committees that have a direct impact on our community including Community Involvement, Law Day, Legal Aid & Pro Bono, and Military and Veteran Affairs.

Included in this edition of the Bar Journal is the Committee Preference Sheet. If you currently are serving on a committee, we thank you and hope you will be returning as a member or chairperson. If you are not currently on a committee, we encourage you to select one that is of interest to you and be a participant. We welcome any questions you may have such as what kind of time commitment is needed to be on a certain committee and what is their particular function.

As you can see, there is a lot happening in April. I hope you take the time to join us. All these events are planned for YOU, our members.

#### SCBA ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

The SCBA Constitution requires that we hold a Members' Meeting every April that is to include the submissions for nominations for candidates for the SCBA Executive Committee and Officers to be elected in May. This year we are conducting the Members' Meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 12:00 pm by Zoom and in person. More details will follow by e-mail.

#### SAVE THE DATE (this is a special event)

Thanks to Joe Martuccio, he has led the way for the SCBA's 125th Anniversary Celebration to include a performance of 12 Angry Women this fall. Be sure to mark your calendars. Watch for e-mails from the Chairman and Director of 12 Angry Women with audition dates, etc.

### **COMMITTEE SELECTIONS FOR 2025 - 2026**

Your membership in the Stark County Bar Association will be more rewarding to you and of greater value to the profession if you serve as an active member of a committee.

Please study the list of committees and indicate your preference by placing a 1, 2 or 3 before the respective committees and return to the Bar Association Office no later than April 30, 2025.

Committee assignments cannot always be made on the basis of your first choice, but an effort will be made to do so. Priority will be given to present members of the committee. If you do not return a committee preference sheet, it will be assumed that you have no preference and/or wish to continue to be a member of the committee(s) upon which you are currently serving.

Terms of office will commence July 1, 2025 and terminate June 30, 2026. All committees are encouraged to hold an organizational meeting after taking office on July 1, 2025.

Thank you. Beverly Proctor-Donald, Esq. President-elect 2025-2026

| ☐ Administration of Justice | ☐ Legal Aid/Pro Bono                                     |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| ☐ American Citizenship      | ☐ Memorial                                               |
| ☐ Bankruptcy                | ☐ Military and Veterans Affairs                          |
| ☐ Bar Applicant             | ☐ Municipal Court                                        |
| ☐ Community Involvement     | ☐ Notary Public                                          |
| ☐ Corporate Law             | ☐ Probate Practice                                       |
| ☐ Criminal Law              | ☐ Professional Continuity                                |
| ☐ Disputed Fee              | ☐ Real Estate                                            |
| ☐ Elder Law                 | ☐ Referral Service                                       |
| ☐ Family Law                | ☐ Scholarship                                            |
| ☐ Finance                   | ☐ Senior Lawyers                                         |
| ☐ Grievance                 | ☐ Social                                                 |
| ☐ Health Care Law           | ☐ Technology                                             |
| ☐ Judiciary                 | ☐ Workers' Compensation                                  |
| ☐ Labor Law                 | ☐ Young Lawyers                                          |
| ☐ Law Day                   | ☐ SCBA's 125th Celebration Planning                      |
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The Stark County Bar Association would like to thank the following sponsors of the **29th Annual White-Williams Bankruptcy Institute** 

Kiko Agency Stretto Vance P. Truman and Nicole Metzger, Attorneys at Law WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!

### 2025 Elections - Primary & General

The Stark County Bar Association's Judiciary Committee has completed its evaluation of each candidate listed below in each judicial election. The Judiciary Committee evaluated each candidate by reviewing the candidate's biography and interviewing the candidate. The Committee then established a rating for each candidate.

The Judiciary Committee, on behalf of the Stark

County Bar Association, shall make one of three recommendations for each candidate: "Not Recommended", "Recommended" or "Highly Recommended." A candidate receiving 55% or greater of the total membership of the committee present shall receive a "Recommended" rating. A candidate receiving 75% or greater of the total membership present shall receive a "Highly Recommended" rating.

| <u>Judge of Alliance Municipal Court, 1-1-26</u> |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Andrew L. Zumbar (R) HIGHLY RECOMMENDED          |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Judge of Canton Municipal Court, 1-1-26          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Katie Erchick Gilbert (D) RECOMMENDED            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Christy Pierson (D) RECOMMENDED                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mark T. Ostrowski (R) RECOMMENDED                |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Judge of Canton Municipal Court, 1-2-26          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jeremy J. Foltz (D)                              |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Judge of Massillon Municipal Court, 1-1-26       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Joel C. Fichter (D) HIGHLY RECOMMENDED           |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Judge of Massillon Municipal Court, 1-2-26       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Andrea M. Scassa (D)                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dan Funk (R)                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
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## **Stark County Bar Association**

**Administrative Professionals Day Luncheon** 

April 23, 2025 Bender's Tavern

**Downtown Canton** 

12:00 Noon \$25.00 per person

### Lunch Entrees:

### **Chicken Marsala with Mashed Potatoes**

Served with a House Salad & Bread

### Scrod ala Foley with Rice

Served with a House Salad & Bread

### **Chef Salad**

Served with Bread

### All lunches will include a Bender's Mini Sundae.

Choice of coffee, iced tea, hot teas or soft drink.

Please call the Bar Office (330-453-0685) no later than April 16th to make your reservations.

We hope to see you and your staff!

#### STARK COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

### **LOCAL RULES OF COURT- PROPOSED CHANGES**

Pursuant to Supreme Court of Ohio Superintendence Rule 5(A)(2), the Court of Common Pleas invites you to review and make comment on two proposed changes to the Local Rules of Court.

**First,** the proposed changes to Local Rule 7 reflect proposed changes in the transcript rates as well as the court reporter payment of CAT fees.

Second, the proposed changes to Local Rule 16 have been updated to reflect current practices in the General Division's mediation department as well as to encourage compliance with the rule's requirement to timely submit mediation statements.

The language of these proposed changes to the Local

Rules is accessible on the General Division's website at:

https://www.starkcountyohio.gov/government/legal\_judicial/court\_of\_common\_pleas/resources/local\_rules.php

Public comments and questions regarding the proposed changes to Local Rule 7 and Local Rule 16 will be accepted via e-mail at <a href="mailto:crmorgan@starkcountyohio.gov">crmorgan@starkcountyohio.gov</a> or by regular mail to the attention of General Division Court Administrator Cortney Morgan, Suite 400, 115 Central Plaza North, Canton, OH 44702. Please submit your comments on or before April 30, 2025.

### Past Due Bills Will Be Mailed April 1st

**Don't Miss The Value of Your SCBA Membership!** 



#### STARK COUNTY COURTHOUSE OPEN HOUSE

First Friday, May 2, 2025 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Come celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Stark County Bar Association as we host an Open House at the Stark County Court of Common Pleas on the corner of Tuscarawas and Market. The Open House will include a variety of justice-themed activities and offers a rare chance to access this historic gem "after hours." Activities will include:

- A chance to learn more about the mission of the Stark County Bar Association and the services it provides
- A meet and greet with your local Stark County Judges
- The opportunity to tour the historic courtroom where President McKinley practiced as a prosecutor
- Q & A with a local court historian to learn all about the history and architecture of the courthouse
- A viewing of the courthouse documentary "Celebrating 200 Years of History, Community and Justice"
- Justice-themed activities for the young (and young at heart)
- Justice-themed photo booth

This is a great opportunity to invite your friends and family who might never otherwise make it into Court. We hope to see you all there!

If you would like to volunteer for the event, a few spots are still available. Please contact the Bar Association.



### Stark County Bar Association 2025 FAMILY LAW SEMINAR

### Wednesday, April 2, 2025 SCBA Conference Room

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION

Coffee, water and donuts provided.

9:00 A.M. **UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING TRAUMA:** 

RECOGNIZING SIGNS AND BUILDING EMOTIONAL

**RESILIENCE** 

Sarah Zawaly, MSW, LISW

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

10:30 A.M. **BREAK** 

NAVIGATING DIVORCE: PROPERTY DIVISION, 10:45 а.м.

TAX IMPLICATIONS AND FINANCIAL TRENDS

Erin Bishop, CDLP, REMS Bishop Divorce Solutions, LLC

**ADJOURN** 12:15 P.M.



### **2025 Family Law Seminar**

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

| ;       | *Members: | \$90.00 | Associate Members: | \$75.00      | Non-Members: | \$165.00 |
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\*PLEASE NOTE: If you are currently a member of any local bar association, you may attend at our members' price.

Do you prefer to receive the seminar materials via Email or Hard Copy on the day of the seminar? Circle One.

Please mail checks to: Stark County Bar Association

116 Cleveland Avenue, N.W., Suite 400, Canton, Ohio 44702-1728

NO REFUNDS UNLESS RESERVATION CANCELLATION IS RECEIVED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF SEMINAR. Application has been approved for 3.00 CLE Credit Hours.

## THE 29TH ANNUAL WHITE-WILLIAMS BANKRUPTCY INSTITUTE



### April 4, 2025 The Hartville Kitchen 1015 Edison Street NW, Hartville, OH 44632



- 6.75 CLEs applied for (5.75 general hrs. & 1 professional conduct hr.) 7:45 A.M. REGISTRATION WITH CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - Sponsored by Kiko Agency 8:10 A.M. **WELCOME** Anthony J. DeGirolamo, Esq. Chair, Bankruptcy Committee, Stark County Bar Association Michael Steel, Esq., Chair, Bankruptcy & Commercial Law Section, Akron Bar Association 8:15 A.M. U.S. TRUSTEE UPDATE Angela Abreu, Esq., Office of the U.S. Trustee Spencer Lutz, Esq., Office of the U.S. Trustee 8:45 A.M. **CHAPTER 7 PANEL** Anthony J. DeGiralamo, Esq., Chair, Bankruptcy Committee, Stark County Bar Association Julie Zurn, Esq., Roetzel & Andress **CASE LAW UPDATE** 9:15 A.M. The Hon. John P. Gustafson, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Ohio Thomas D. DeCarlo, Esq., Osipov Bigel, P.C. 10:30 A.M. **BREAK** ECONOMIC AND FILING TRENDS UPDATE 10:45 A.M. Dr. William Rule, Sr., Economist, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, Washington, D.C. TAX LIENS AND CERTIFICATES 11:45 A.M. Austin Barns, Esq., Sandhu Law Group 12:15 P.M. LUNCH 1:15 P.M. PREPARING FOR WAR! AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING MODULE James Galehouse, Esq. Office of the Chapter 13 Trustee Mike Moran, Esq., Gibson & Moran, LLC 2:15 P.M. **DIVORCE AND BANKRUPTCY MODULE** Gary Rosen, Esq., Gertz & Rosen, LTD Keith Rucinski, Esq., Chapter 13 Trustee Peter Tsarnas, Esq., Gertz & Rosen, Ltd PIE BREAK Sponsored by Vance P. Truman, Esq. & Nicole Metzger, Esq. 3:15 р.м.

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT: HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH LAY CLIENT

Jay Wampler, Esq., Office of Disciplinary Counsel Susan Hard, Esq., Office of Disciplinary Counsel

4:30 P.M. <u>CLOSING REMARKS</u>
Drawing for the Dean Wyman Scholarship

3:30 р.м.

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 04, 2025- THE 29TH ANNUAL WHITE-WILLIAMS BANKRUPTCY INSTITUE

Register online at <a href="www.akronbar.org/events">www.akronbar.org/events</a>. Register by phone Akron Bar Association 330-436-0112, OR Register online and choose "Payment at Later Time," then mail this form with your check to:

Akron Bar Association, 57 S. Broadway St., Akron, OH 44308.

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| SEMINAR FEE                                                                                                                                 | Dakea Hon_   |                                                                                                                                                     | GENERAL SEMINAR INFORMA                                                                                                                     |                                           |  |  |
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| Associate Members/ Associate Guests<br>At the Door Registration                                                                             | \$165.00     |                                                                                                                                                     | ELLATION POLICY: Cancellations m<br>via email: <u>cle@akronbar.org</u> . Ref                                                                |                                           |  |  |
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| Online: www.akronbar.org with credit card payment Phone: Akron Bar Association 330-436-0112                                                 |              | DIRECTIONS TO HARTVILLE KITCHEN: FROM AKRON: Take I-77 S to OH-241 Exit (Exit #118) toward OH 619/Massillon. Turn LEFT on Massillon Rd/OH-241. Turn |                                                                                                                                             |                                           |  |  |
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additional \$25 fee.

### Stark County Bar Association

### **2025 LAW DAY LUNCHEON**



Wednesday, April 30, 2025 - 11:45 A.M.

### KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AT STARK'S CONFERENCE CENTER

The Law Week theme this year is "The Constitution's Promise: Out of Many, One". Our program at the Law Day Luncheon will feature the winners of the Moot Court Competition. The case being argued is Plyler v. Doe, 457 US 202 (1982). This case presents the following question for argument:

WHETHER STATES MAY DENY UNDOCUMENTED SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN FREE PUBLIC EDUCATION THAT THEY PROVIDE TO CHILDREN WHO ARE CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OR LEGALLY ADMITTED ALIENS WITHOUT VIOLATING THE EQUAL PROTECTION CLAUSE OF THE FOURTHEEN AMENDMENT?

The luncheon is open to the public and the Bar Association cordially invites your staff, fellow attorneys, family members and friends to attend the luncheon.

Tickets will be \$26.00 per person. Please note that the luncheon will begin promptly at 11:45 A.M. We cannot reserve tables other than for the award recipients so it is suggested that you arrive early.

We will be recognizing the recipients of the Liberty Bell Award and Legal Aid Pro Bono Awards, as well as the winners of the Moot Court Competition, Digital Media Contest, Essay and Poster contests. Please join us as we honor these deserving award winners. Reservations must be made by 4:30 P.M. on Wednesday, **April 16th.** Please mail your reservation form to the Bar Office or call in your reservation at 330-453-0685.

We look forward to seeing you on April 30th.

Todd Evans, Chairman Law Week Committee



### **2025 Law Day Luncheon**

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 - 11:45 A.M. Kent State University at Stark's Conference Center \$26.00 per Person

| Number of Reservations: | Total Enclosed: |
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### **2025 LAW DAY SEMINAR**

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Wednesday, April 30, 2025

### Kent State University At Stark's Conference Center

12:45 P.M. REGISTRATION

1:15 P.M. PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT & DISCIPLINARY PROCESS

Honorable Andrew J. King, Fifth District Court of Appeals

Aletha M. Carver, Esq., Mediation Attorney, Fifth District Court of Appeals

2:00 P.M. <u>MEDIATION AND ORIGINAL ACTIONS</u>

Aletha M. Carver, Esq., Mediation Attorney, Fifth District Court of Appeals

2:30 P.M. BREAK

2:45 P.M. ADMINISTRATION AND RULES UPDATE

David Q. Wigginton, Esq., Court Administrator & Magistrate, Fifth District Court of Appeals Angela D. Stone, Esq., Administrative Counsel, Fifth District Court of Appeals

3:30 P.M. <u>APPELLATE PRACTICE POINTERS</u>

Moderator: Honorable Craig Baldwin, Fifth District Court of Appeals

Honorable Andrew J. King, Fifth District Court of Appeals

Honorable Robert Montgomery, Fifth District Court of Appeals

Honorable Kevin Popham, Fifth District Court of Appeals Honorable David Gormley, Fifth District Court of Appeals

4:30 P.M. ADJOURN



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- 2024 Law Day Seminar (3.00 General credit hours)
- The 28th Annual White-Williams Bankruptcy Institute (5.00 General & 1 Professional Conduct credit hours)
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